

Remarks

This is in further response to to the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and accompaning Reply August 30, 2010 in the above-referenced patent application.

I. Status of the Claims.

- 5 Claims 53-65, 67-71 and 76-80 are pending. No amendments to the claims are made by this submission. Reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

II. Obviousness-type Double Patenting Rejection

- 10 In the final Office Action issued prior to the August 30, 2010 submission of an RCE in this application, claims 53-71 and 76-80 were provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 8-9 of co-pending application Serial No. 10/598,344 in view of Lieberman and Ullman.

In response and to overcome this rejection, applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer over co-pending application Ser. No. 10/598,344. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

- 15 In view of the above Terminal Disclaimer and the accompanying Remarks, applicants believe that the pending claims, as amended, are in condition for allowance and respectfully request issuance of the Notice of Allowance.

Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the address and/or phone number provided below if clarification or additional information is needed on any of these matters.

20 Respectfully submitted,

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